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March 21, 2020

Throughout the duration of the Coronavirus situation, my office will be providing two newsletters: one for immediate information regarding COVID-19, and one for other state information including agency closures, etc. This email will pertain to general state information. As this situation continues to develop, we will do our best to get all relevant information out through newsletters, as well as through posts on my Facebook page.

Due to the COVID-19 virus, both the Capitol Office and the District offices will remain closed. However, my staff will be teleworking and will be available via email. Please continue to follow safe social distancing and hygiene practices during this time, and know that we are available if needed. Be aware that all agencies are prioritizing COVID-19 virus related constituent casework before other matters.

The Texas House of Representatives is consolidating COVID-19 related information. To access the COVID-19 information, visit [house.texas.gov/coronavirus](https://house.texas.gov/coronavirus).

Sincerely,



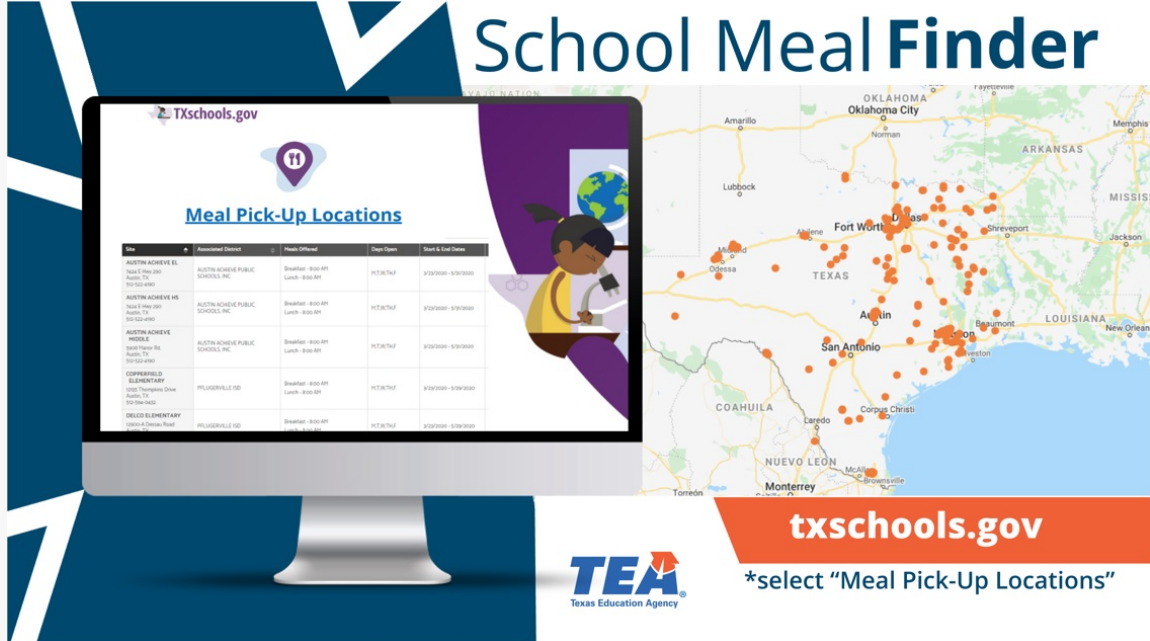
## Office Closure Notice

Both the Capitol office and District office will remain closed in line with Governor Abbot's executive orders. Our offices will remain functioning, with staff working remotely. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter.

## Updates from Austin

## TEA: Meal Finder Map

# School Meal Finder



The image shows a computer monitor displaying the TXSchools.gov website. The website has a purple header with the TXSchools.gov logo and a purple sidebar with a globe icon. The main content area is titled "Meal Pick-Up Locations" and features a table with columns: School, Address, Meal Offered, Meal Type, and Start & End Dates. The table lists several schools, including Austin Achey E, Austin Achey HS, Austin Achey Middle, and Comprehensive Elementary. To the right of the monitor is a map of Texas with orange dots indicating meal pick-up locations. The map shows major cities like Amarillo, Lubbock, Fort Worth, Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, and Houston. Below the map is a red banner with the text "txschools.gov" and "\*select 'Meal Pick-Up Locations'".

School	Address	Meal Offered	Meal Type	Start & End Dates
AUSTIN ACHEY E	1001 E. 10th St. Austin, TX 78702	Breakfast - 8:00 AM Lunch - 11:00 AM	MT, LT	3/23/2020 - 4/30/2020
AUSTIN ACHEY HS	1001 E. 10th St. Austin, TX 78702	Breakfast - 8:00 AM Lunch - 11:00 AM	MT, LT	3/23/2020 - 4/30/2020
AUSTIN ACHEY MIDDLE	1001 E. 10th St. Austin, TX 78702	Breakfast - 8:00 AM Lunch - 11:00 AM	MT, LT	3/23/2020 - 4/30/2020
COMPREHENSIVE ELEMENTARY	1001 E. 10th St. Austin, TX 78702	Breakfast - 8:00 AM Lunch - 11:00 AM	MT, LT	3/23/2020 - 4/30/2020

Texas parents can now visit the [TXSchools.gov MealFinder Map](https://txschools.gov/MealFinderMap) to find locations near them where local school systems are offering free school meals—both breakfast and lunch—for pick-up while school buildings are closed because of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Launched by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), in partnership with the Office of the Governor and Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), the [TXSchools.gov MealFinder Map](https://txschools.gov/MealFinderMap) is designed to help parents and students easily find school meals during the unprecedented disruption to schools caused by COVID-19.

Once parents go to the site, they click “Meal Pick-Up Locations” to bring up a map of locations. Parents can type their address, and the map will zoom into meal pick-up locations that are up and running near them.

School systems around the state have responded to coronavirus with an outpouring of compassion and operational excellence. In less than 8 days since the first school closures were announced, more than 1,000 schools have launched Meal Pick-Up Locations. That number is expected to rise daily, so parents should check back on [TXSchools.gov](https://txschools.gov) next week and the week after as more and more meal locations are launched.

In terms of terms of eligibility, TDA has provided extensive guidance to help school systems, based on federal rules. In locations where more than 50 percent of students are eligible for a free or reduced-price lunch, free meals can be made available for every child who visits the meal site. In places below that threshold, closed enrolled sites can be established to target individually eligible students.

With Governor Greg Abbott’s issuance of an [Executive Order](#) on Thursday to temporarily close schools statewide through April 3, Texas is taking the lead to ensure that our students will continue to have uninterrupted access to meals, no matter how long school campuses are closed. We all remain committed first and foremost to the health and safety of our students, families, and communities.

Visit [TXSchools.gov](https://txschools.gov) to find more than 1,000 sites for free school meals

## Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission Coronavirus Guidance

### Coronavirus Information

TABC’s No. 1 priority is the health and safety of Texans. We encourage all industry members to follow the guidelines of the and local public health officials in the days and weeks to come as the nation fights the coronavirus pandemic.

[Read more](https://www.tabc.state.tx.us)  
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# Texas State Parks, TPWD Facilities Limit Operations



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Texas State Parks to Close Public-Serving Facilities and Programs Starting at 12 p.m. March 19; Law Enforcement, Boat Registration Offices Close to Public Visitation AUSTIN- After careful evaluation of the ongoing public health situation, Texas...

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[tpwd.texas.gov](http://tpwd.texas.gov)

## O.I.G. Extends Deadlines for Health Care Providers

### COVID-19

OIG extends deadlines for health care providers The Office of Inspector General (OIG) understands that during the COVID-19 pandemic providers might experience increased demand, staffing shortages and other unforeseen difficulties. The rapidly...

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[oig.hhsc.texas.gov](http://oig.hhsc.texas.gov)

## TxDOT Taking Covid-19 Action To Keep Employees And Public Safe

### Txdot Taking Covid-19 Action To Keep Employees And...

TxDOT is acting to help reduce the risk of COVID-19. On Friday and over the weekend the department took several steps to protect the public and TxDOT employees. At the same time, TxDOT remains committed to delivering services to its customers all ...

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[www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov)

## Harris County COVID-19 Contact Information

**EVERYDAY**  
**9a-7p**

**| 832-927-7575**

**HARRIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH | CALL CENTER**

**24/7 | 713-634-1110**

**HARRIS HEALTH | ASK MY NURSE HOTLINE**



**GOT COVID-19 QUESTIONS? ASK!**

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